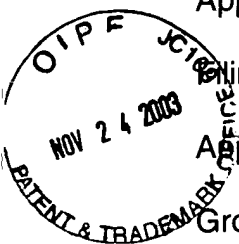


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Sir:

Pursuant to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) Filing Date Granted," mailed September 10, 2003, Applicants hereby petition under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for a one month extension of time to respond to the Notice.

Enclosed is a Declaration and Power of Attorney document executed by the inventors for the above-identified application, a copy of the Notice, and a check in the amount of \$240.00 for the oath or declaration surcharge (\$130.00) and one month extension of time (\$110.00).

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